

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In case abnormality in a network is detected,  
a CPU of a digital multi-functional peripheral sends,  
when facsimile connection to a management center via  
5 a telephone line has been detected, intra-apparatus  
information relating the digital multi-functional  
peripheral to the management center via the facsimile  
connection. Alternatively, when connection to  
a personal computer has been detected, the CPU of  
10 the digital multi-functional peripheral sends the  
intra-apparatus information to the management center  
via the personal computer.